

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (original) An emission enhancing coating for a surface, which coating comprises at least one electrically conductive transparent film and at least two non-conductive films, wherein the conductive and non-conductive films have been applied alternately on top of one another.
2. (original) A coating according to claim 1, wherein the total thickness of the coating is smaller than the wavelength of the radiation to be emitted by the surface.
3. (currently amended) A coating according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the total thickness of the coating is at most 100 micrometers.
4. (original) A coating according to claim 3, wherein the total thickness of the coating is at most 20 micrometers.
5. (original) A coating according to claim 4, wherein the total thickness of the coating is at most 5 micrometers.
6. (currently amended) A coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-5~~ claim 1, wherein the electrically conductive film comprises a metal.

7. (original) A coating according to claim 6, wherein the conductive film comprises a metal chosen from the group of chrome, nickel and rhodium.

8. (currently amended) A coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-7~~ claim 1, wherein the electrically conductive transparent film comprises a semiconductor chosen from the group of doped metal oxides, conductive nitrides and carbides.

9. (original) A coating according to claim 8, wherein the semiconductor is chosen from the group of, preferably, tin-doped indium oxide, fluorine-doped tin oxide and aluminum-doped zinc oxide.

10. (currently amended) A coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-9~~ claim 1, wherein each of the electrically conductive and non-conductive films is transparent.

11. (currently amended) A coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-10~~ claim 1, wherein the non-conductive film comprises a non-conductive material chosen from the group of non-conductive metal oxides, metal fluorides, metal carbides and metal nitrides.

12. (original) A coating according to claim 11, wherein the non-conductive films comprise silicon oxide.

13. (currently amended) An article with a surface with a low emissivity to which a coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-12~~ claim 1 has been applied.

14. (original) An article according to claim 13, wherein, as a first film, a non-conductive transparent film has been applied to the surface.

15. (currently amended) A metal foil to which a coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-12~~ claim 1 has been applied.

16. (currently amended) A solar cell to which a coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-12~~ claim 1 has been applied.

17. (currently amended) A light reflector to which a coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-12~~ claim 1 has been applied.

18. (currently amended) A method for applying an emission enhancing coating according to ~~any one of claims 1-12~~ claim 1 to a surface, wherein the conductive and non-conductive films have been applied alternately on top of one another to the surface.

19. (original) A method according to claim 18, wherein, as a first film, a non-conductive transparent film has been applied to the surface.